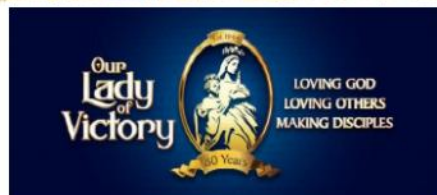


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"You shall love the Lord, your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations."

Matthew 22:37 & 28:19

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

2nd & 4th Saturday: 9:00-9:30 AM or by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples should call the Parish Office upon their engagement to arrange a date for their wedding. The bride or groom must be a registered parishioner of Our Lady of Victory.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil	5:45 PM
Sunday	8:30
Daily (Tues & Thurs)	8:30 AM
Holydays & Other	As announced within

OFFICE HOURS

PARISH: Mon-Fri	8:30-4:30 PM
FAITH FORMATION:	8:30-4:00 PM
LUNCH (offices closed):	12:00-1:00 PM

(Offices closed holidays & major holydays)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms can usually be scheduled for any weekend Mass. Attendance of a preparation workshop for first-time parents is required. Parents can call the Parish Office to arrange a date for Baptism, and to check dates for the Baptismal Workshop. Sponsors can call the Parish Office for details about acquiring a Certificate.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Available at any time to those who are ill, facing surgery, or in danger of death. Sacramental care is provided by chaplains at all area hospitals. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements.

O.C.I.A (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

This is a process for those interested in the faith of the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Linda Herold at 633-3637 or email her at lherold@ourladyofvictory.net.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Parents can call the Parish Faith Formation Office at 330-633-3672.

PRAYER FOR EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

(to be prayed before the Blessed Sacrament)

Lord Jesus, as we gather at your altar, you give yourself to us in the Most Holy Eucharist, so that we might become what we receive.

May we be transformed forever by your love that stretches forth to us from this altar.

May your sharing in our humanity humble us to share in your divinity.

Heal our brokenness with your real presence and help us to draw strength from you in the Eucharist. Unite us to you in this Sacrament that brings healing and redemption.

As we glorify you by our lives, give us grace and courage to share your love with a world sorely in need of your mercy. May your true presence bring hope to those on the peripheries, dry the tears of the poor and the wounded, and end our divisions.

May your Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity be a constant source of revival for us. Let us become one with you as we seek the peace of your kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

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MASSES & SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

**(ALL MASSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED. WEEKEND MASSES ARE ALSO
BROADCAST OVER FM 93.7)**

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Monday, Sept 15	(8:00 am) Mass at St Matthew <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i> 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 2:33-35
Tuesday, Sept 16	(8:30 am) Armando & Angelina Colella <i>Sts Cornelius, Pope, & Cyprian, Bishop/Martyrs</i> 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-2cd, 3ab, 5, 6; Lk 7:11-17
Wednesday, Sept 17	(8:00 am) Mass at St Matthew 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35
Thursday, Sept 18	(8:30 am) Charles House & Kaylynn Tafini 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50
Friday, Sept 19	(8:00 am) Mass at St Matthew 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3
Saturday, Sept 20	(9:00 am) Confessions at St Matthew (5:45 pm) Joseph & Mary Rickert <i>St Andrew Kim Taegon, Priest, & Paul Chong Ha-sang, & Companions, Martyrs</i> 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15
Sunday, Sept 21	(8:30 am) Robert Giet & Jim Ingram 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13

In Our Parish – What/Where/When

MONDAY, SEPT 15

TUESDAY, SEPT 16

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 17

AA Meeting/FH/10:00 am

St Bernard Soup Kitchen/Away/4:00 pm

THURSDAY, SEPT 18

Bible Study/PCR 100/2:00 pm

Women's Book Study/PCR 100/7:00 pm

FRIDAY, SEPT 19

SATURDAY, SEPT 20

Confessions/St Matthew/9:00 am

****Moving Sale at the OLV Rectory from 8:00 am – 7:00 pm**

SUNDAY, SEPT 21 – CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

Children's Liturgy of the Word/Church/8:30 am

Faith Formation K-8/PC/9:45 am

Life Teen Session/PCR 101/9:45 am



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Notes from Father Mike

- Every date of the calendar of the Church Year has a particular designation. Most of the dates are simply “counting” dates: “Monday of the twenty-second week of the year”, “Friday of the fifteenth week of the year”, and so on. Many of the dates are designated for the seasons in the year: Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. Other dates are designated for particular saints' days. Most of the feast days are called “immoveable feasts”, meaning that they are always celebrated on a specific date, no matter what day of the week it is. (Think Christmas!) This weekend we celebrate one of those immoveable feasts, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Cross. Only occasionally does September 14 fall on a Sunday. The last time was in 2014; the next time will be in 2031! So, this week we interrupt the regular schedule of Sunday liturgies to focus on the cross of Jesus. This is not a “rerun” of Good Friday, though! This feast draws our attention not so much to the event of the crucifixion, but to the powerful symbolism of the cross. The cross was created as an instrument of cruel torture. But we honor the cross as a symbol of God's infinite mercy. This week, as we focus on the cross of Christ, we pray that the crosses we bear each day may likewise be transformed into symbols of God's love for us!
- Next weekend Saint Matthew Parish will celebrate its patronal feast. The celebration is a two-day affair, with Saturday evening Mass at the regular time (4:00 PM) followed by an outdoor concert and cookout on the rectory lawn. On Sunday the 10:30 Mass at Saint Matthew will be held outdoors. After the Mass there will be a “potluck picnic” with attendees bringing side dishes and desserts to complement the burgers, hot dogs, and sausage sandwiches, along with sweet corn, French fries, and free beverages! There will be music, cornhole, guessing games, raffles, a scavenger hunt, and games for kids (with prizes) as well! All are welcome, of course, to help our partner parish celebrate the Feast of Saint Matthew in style!

Coming Events & News in our Parish

DON'T FORGET THE "MOVING SALE" AT THE RECTORY on Saturday, Sept 20, 8:00 am to 7:00 pm! Selling a variety of household furnishings and items. Refreshments available for purchase. Volunteers needed throughout the day. Call the parish office at 330-633-3637 if you can help. Details in last week's flyer.

FAITH FORMATION (PSR) FOR GRADES K-8, and Life Teen for Grades 9-10 meets Sundays at 9:45 am in the Parish Center. If you have not registered your child for Faith Formation, please call the Religious Education Office at 633-3672. **A reminder to parents that it is IMPORTANT to return the Medical Form for each child.**



ARE YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW, interested in learning more about the Catholic faith to determine if becoming Catholic is what you are being called to do? For anyone who has not been baptized, or baptized in another faith tradition, we

have a process to help you determine what you might want to do. Please call Linda Herold or Fr Mike at the Parish Office for more information.

ST BERNARD'S HOT MEAL PROGRAM – Adults and high school youth from Our Lady of Victory are invited to serve dinner at St Bernard's Hot Meals, on **Wednesday, Sept 17.** Please arrive around 3-3:30 pm to be prepared to serve hot meals at 4:30 pm. For participating youth, please provide your own transportation along with a signed permission slip. If you can help or have questions, contact Patty Ayers at 330-310-1921.



BISHOP MALESIC HAS ASKED FOR YOUR HELP in assisting the Christians and other innocent victims of violence in Gaza and surrounding areas who are struggling to survive, protect their children, and live with dignity in dire conditions. You may give through **ParishSoft** (formerly Faith Direct), or by sending your check directly to them, made payable to: **Catholic Near East Welfare Assoc, Gaza Emergency Relief, 220 East 42nd St, 27th Floor, New York, NY 10017. Collection closes Sept 28th. Thank you!**

Caring Commission

Pray for the Sick: Bob Bryer, Donna Buehler, Elizabeth Butcher and soon-to-be-born Anne Katharine Butcher, Vince DeLuca, Marlene Dineen, David Fetchu, Danny Firth, Floss Firth, Carol Fox, Daysha Furtney, Earl Iselin, Julianne Jenkins, John P Keller, Debra Kelly, Greta Krukemeyer, Tom Lorkowski, Scott Masiella, Lin Mattingly, Joyce Mohr, Bernie Mosyjowski, Willie Naso, Frances O'Leary, Dorothy Pfeil, Lina Pugliese, Roger Riddle, Edward Siciliano, Karen Treat, Ashley Zuponicic. *(Please call the Parish Office to add or remove a name.)*

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION?

*As part of the ongoing process of developing a "parish partnership" between Our Lady of Victory and Saint Matthew Parishes, we are melding the process for preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation. In May our two parishes will begin celebrating Confirmation together. It seems appropriate that we integrate the preparation programs as well. To accommodate the families of both parishes, we will be working with the catechists at Saint Matthew in a kind of combined preparation program. Most dramatically, this will involve offering the sacramental program for Confirmation to any of the young people of our parish who are in eighth grade or older. Families can choose to participate in the preparation program at Our Lady of Victory, which will meet monthly on Sunday mornings, or at Saint Matthew, which will meet monthly on Sunday evenings. A full schedule for both parishes will be available soon. Preparation for Confirmation is only one part of the Faith Formation Program at our parish. Those preparing for Confirmation next spring will still be expected to participate in the faith formation sessions on Sunday mornings, according to their grade level. Those sessions begin this weekend, September 14th at 9:45 am. More information about this change and the faith formation program for Confirmation candidates (and their parents) will be shared at a meeting on **Wednesday, September 24th at 6:30 PM** in the church. The following evening, **September 25th**, the same information will be shared at a **meeting at Saint Matthew**, at the same time. Candidates and their parents can attend either meeting! Any urgent questions that need to be answered prior to the dates can be directed to Linda Herold or to Father Mike.*

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